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Attorney Docket: ESG005
Examiner: Stephen O. Douglas
Art Unit: 3751

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Sir:

This letter responds to an Office Action bearing a mailing date of April 1, 2005.

In the Office Action the examiner stated that restriction is required to one of the following inventions:

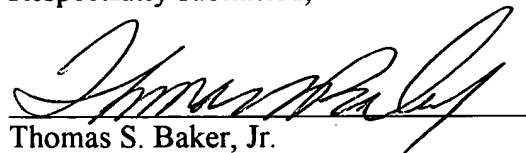
1. Claims 1 through 13, drawn to a rapid connection and detachment device.
2. Claims 14 through 17, drawn to a floor washing apparatus.

Applicant believes that the examiner intended to include Claim 14 in the first group of claims inasmuch as it depends from Claim 13.

Applicant elects to prosecute Claims 1 through 13 (14) in the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 09 APR 05



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